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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION OF KOREA AND PUERTO RICO WITH CHADIAN  
AMBASSADOR TO US

REF: A) STATE 111286; B) STATE 98185; C) NDJAMENA 1132

1. DURING MAY 19 LUNCHEON WITH CHADIAN AMBASSADOR ALINGUE,  
AF/W DIRECTOR AND COUNTRY OFFICER RAISED ISSUES OF KOREA  
AND PUERTO RICO. WE EXPLAINED THE IMPORTANCE ATTACHED BY  
USG TO THESE TWO ISSUES, AND ASKED THAT OUR VIEWS BE RE-  
LAYED TO GOC. WE ALSO NOTED UPCOMING NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT  
CONFERENCE IN COLOMBO, AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT GOC WOULD  
NOT SUPPORT ANY MOVE TO TAKE POSITIONS ON THESE ISSUES  
COUNTER TO OURS. ALINGUE LAMENTED THAT ONCE A MOTION IS  
PASSED BY A QUOTE MOVEMENT UNQUOTE OR CONFERENCE SUCH AS  
NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT, EACH MEMBER IS COMPELLED TO FOLLOW  
THE MOTION IF IT WISHES TO REMAIN MEMBER OF CONFERENCE.

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ALINGUE FELT THAT SUCH MOTIONS ARE OFTEN PASSED DUE EFFORTS

OF ONLY VERY SMALL MINORITY, BUT THAT ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP  
COMPELLED TO FOLLOW.

2. ON KOREA, WE EXPLAINED THAT ANY PROPOSAL WHICH WOULD  
EXCLUDE ROK FROM HAVING DIRECT ROLE IN DETERMINING ITS  
OWN FUTURE IS UNACCEPTABLE. WE ALSO OUTLINED HISTORY OF

US-ROK RELATIONS, AND SAID THAT US CANNOT TURN ITS BACK  
ON LONGTIME ALLY. ALINGUE MADE NO COMMENT.

3. ON PUERTO RICO, WE EXPLAINED THAT USG HAS ALWAYS BEEN  
PREPARED TO GRANT PUERTO RICO INDEPENDENCE IF THAT WERE  
THE CLEAR WISH OF THE MAJORITY OF THE ISLAND'S POPULATION.  
HOWEVER, MOST RECENT REFERENDUM SHOWED THAT INDEPENDENCE  
WAS OBJECTIVE OF ONLY MINISCULE MINORITY. THEREFORE,  
ANY INITIATIVE THAT ATTEMPTED TO ALTER PUERTO RICO'S  
STATUS WOULD BE REGARDED BY USG AS AN INTRUSION IN ITS  
INTERNAL AFFAIRS. ASIDE FROM THE MATTER OF US SOVEREIGNTY,  
PUERTO RICO IS A SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORY, ACCORDING TO  
A UN FINDING IN 1952. ALINGUE RESPONDED THAT HE WAS UN-  
CLEAR ABOUT THE EXACT HISTORY OF PUERTO RICO VIS-A-VIS  
US, AND ASKED THAT WE PROVIDE HIM BACKGROUND. PERTINENT  
BRIEFING MATERIALS BEING FORWARDED HIM MAY 20.

4. BILATERAL MATTERS ALSO DISCUSSED, AND WILL BE REPORTED  
SEPARATELY BY LETTER TO CHARGE.

5. FYI: PER REF (B), USG HAS BEEN DESIGNATED CONVENER FOR  
KOREAN ITEM CORE GROUP IN CHAD. HOWEVER, ACCORDING  
DEPT FILES, NO OTHER MEMBERS OF CORE GROUP REPRESENTED  
BY RESIDENT MISSIONS IN NDJAMENA. THIS PLACES EVEN  
GREATER BURDEN ON US TO CONVEY TO GOC OUR FEELINGS ON  
KOREA, BOTH IN US AND IN CHAD. END FYI. SISCO

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